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-- REMARKS --

Claims 1-21 have been cancelled, not to avoid any reference, but to expedite prosecution of this application, and avoid payment of additional claims fees. No new matter has been added with the addition of claims 22-39, support for which is found, *inter alia*, on pages 9-13 of the specification. The prior art does not disclose, teach, or suggest each and every element of claims 22-39.

Withdrawal of the rejections to claims 1-21 is requested.

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SUMMARY

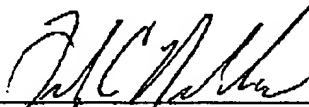
The Applicants respectfully submit that claims 22-39 fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102, 103 and 112. In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration and passage to issue of the present application is respectfully requested. If any points remain at issue that may best be resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, the examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Dated: October 28, 2005Respectfully submitted,
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